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WHAT'S MY STORY?

I MADE AN INCREDIBLE JOURNEY FROM A U.S. BATTLEFIELD TO ANOTHER COUNTRY BEFORE I FOUND MY WAY HOME TO KENTUCKY.

Lt. John J. Crittenden had this watch with him when he was killed at the Battle of the Little Bighorn in 1876. A Sioux Indian took the timepiece from the battlefield and it eventually became the property of Edward Gigot, a Canadian trader. Using the watch's serial number and after writing numerous letters to the U.S. Army, Gigot located Crittenden's father and sent him the watch. The elder Crittenden replied with "heartfelt thanks" for the return of the memento.

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